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For: ISOLATION STRUCTURES FOR  
PREVENTING PHOTONS AND CARRIERS  
FROM REACHING ACTIVE AREAS AND  
METHODS OF FORMATION

Examiner: I. M. Soward

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated February 10, 2006,  
please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins  
on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 15 of this paper.